

FCC Commissioners  
The Federal Communications Commission RE: Docket 04-435  
445 12th Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20554

Dear FCC Commissioners ,

I don't believe there are valid reasons for permeating the relative calm and stability of an aircraft passenger compartment while in flight with multiple chattering obnoxious cell phone users. I use my own cell phone daily but am careful not to intrude on others space, privacy or conversations with my conversations and will remove myself from their vicinity or terminate the call quickly. Unfortunately it is evident from what I witness on a regular basis that there are few of use that have the common courtesy or sense to do so chattering on loudly (known as "cell yell" since they believe for some strange reason that the other person cannot hear them unless they raise their voice several volume levels). If conversation in flight was so important for many years it could be accomplished for \$3-\$6 per minute, a service that was widely underused so I'm guessing the conversations are not really all that urgent. Numerous disturbing, intrusive and from what is overhead needless conversations are witnessed daily. Therefore ,I am writing to voice my concerns about the FCC's proposal to relax the restrictions on the use of cell phones on airplanes in flight.

There is no hard evidence that cell phone use doesn't interfere with navigational instruments. The introduction of cell phone use in the cabin will not only increase tension among passengers, it will compromise flight attendants' ability to maintain order in an emergency. Cell phone use could also enable terrorists to coordinate a plan of action more effectively.

Please leave the current rules in effect.

Sincerely,

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Representative Pete Sessions